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	Rs.		ex Div.
Bombay Bank	1,000	5 ₹ cent	67 to 68 Prm.
Madras Bank	1,000	2½ do.	23 do.
Agra Bank	500	7 do.	70 do.
Oriental Bank Corporation	250	7 do.	100
Commercial Bank	500	4½ do.	13¾
Mercantile Bank	250	5 do.	29¼
Central Bank of W. India	150	2½ do.	3 Dis.
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Do. New Shares	625	.....	Rs. 150 Prem.
Do. New Shares	200	.....	Rs. 130 p. sh.
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Manockjee Petit's Spinning and Weaving Company	550	.....	Rs. 105 do.
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Five Franc Pieces	,, 204
Bar Silver	,, 106
Gold Leaf	,, 16-8

FREIGHTS.

To Liverpool (Cotton)	£3 5s.
,, (Seeds)	£2 15s.
To London (Cotton)	£3 0s.
,, (Seeds)	£2 15s.
To Rice Ports	£2 15s. 0d.
To China	Rs. 10 offd.
To Clyde	no offers.

Have continued very dull throughout the week, merchants, waiting the arrival of the mail. There seems no doubt that peace with America will be maintained, and towards the close of the week our market has become more buoyant.

The following are the engagements :—

London.—The *Robert Lowe* (str.) 1,257 tons, *Her Majesty* 1,112 tons, *Lakeofdark*, 851 tons, have been taken up for the conveyance of troops via Kurrachee at about £24 10s. per men in health, £29 10s. invalids, Liverpool.—*Early Dawn*, 519 tons, *Moreno*, 643 tons, *Morningstar*, 951 tons, part cargoes of cotton at £5, and seeds at £2 15s.

We quote—

Liverpool, Cotton	£3 2s. 6d. to £3 5s. 0d.
Seeds	£2 15s. 0d.
London, Cotton	£2 15s. 0d. to £2 17s. 6d.
Seeds	£2 10s. 0d. to £2 12s. 6d.
China	Rs. 10 per candy.

—*Bombay Saturday Review.*]

PRICES CURRENT (JANUARY 25th 1862.)

		Per candy.
COTTON : Broach, Surat, and Jamboosar, (new)	at Rs.	163 to 165
Dholleras, Bhownaggar, (new)	,,	163 to 165
Oomrawuttee (new)	,,	160 to 162
Barsee, (new)	,,	150 to 152
Khandeish, (new)	,,	142 to 144
Mangalore, (new)	,,	148 to 150
Verawal, (new)	,,	148 to 150
Comptas, (new)	,,	164 to 165
Sawginned Dharwar	,,	218 to 229
OPIUM—Malwa, Rs. 1515 to 1520.		
SEEDS—Linseed, Cambaiti	at Rs. 5-8 per cwt.	
Rapeseed, Guzerat	,, 6-10 to 6-12	,,
Gingelly mixed (Black and White)	,, 24 to 25	
	,, 33 to 34	

REPORT ON THE BOMBAY MARKET.

(From our Overland Summary of this morning.)

The vacilleating course which the import market had taken after the departure of the last Mail was soon determined by the arrival of English news to the 26th ultimo bringing firmer advices from the Manchester market. Holders of Piece Goods in the first instance became less anxious to force sales in the face of former concessions, while dealers abstained from making purchases to any large extent even at reduced rates for want of demand from the marts of the interior. However, holders were induced to submit to the offers of dealers and a moderate amount of business was done. Prices under such circumstances are irregular, but in general a further decline is observable, and the market closes more dull. Yarns are without change and Metals quiet.

The demand in the produce market has revived to some extent since the arrival of the latest telegrams via Alexandria on the 20th instant announcing a more pacific tendency in our relations with the Northern States of America ; and large purchases of Cotton have been made at rising prices. Seeds are quiet and lower.

IMPORTS.

COTTON PIECE GOODS.—The market for *Grey Goods* is rather quiet for want of active demand and prices have further receded 3 to 4 annas from those ruling at piece. The movements in *Grey Shirtings* have been very trivial, and all widths and weights have suffered a decline in value. For *Grey Longcloths* the enquiry is moderate and prices are lower. *Grey Domestics* of 40 inch have a weak enquiry at a decline of two to three annas ; other kinds have no enquiry. *Grey T. Cloth* in moderate enquiry, and movements have taken place in heavier makes, 6lbs. and upwards at lower figures. There is little doing in *Grey Drills* and the value shews a decline. *Grey Cambrics* remain nominally as before without transactions. *Grey Madapollams* have a feeble enquiry at a decline of one to two annas. For *Grey Printers* the market is flat and quotations are again lower. *Grey Jacconets* are moderately enquired at slightly reduced rates. *Grey Mulls* are without demand and prices are unchanged and nominal.

Bleached Goods have participated in the dullness, and shew but a moderate business. *White Shirtings*, *Madapollams*, and *Jacconets* have a limited enquiry at slightly reduced rates.

Of Glasgow Goods, a moderate enquiry exists for *Loppets* at lower prices. *Dhoties* are dull and lower. *Mulls* of ordinary kinds are saleable at cheaper rates. Of *Colored Goods* a few sales are reported at lower figures. *Prints* of all descriptions are flat.

Turkey Red Fabrics have commanded better attention. *Cambrics* and *Dimity* are rather weak in enquiry, but the value is sustained for want of large sales. *Twills* have but little enquiry at steady value. For *Mulls* the enquiry is slack, and prices are less steady. *Jacconets* remain depressed.

YARNS.—The demand for both Mule and Water Twist has continued dull, and only a small business has been done ; quotations remain nearly as last but nominal. Of Water Twist Nos. 20 and 30 are scarce and in favour. Dyed Yarns remain unchanged. Turkey Red Yarns neglected. Sales are :—

35	Bales	Water Twist	No. 30	at As. 11½
23	,,	Do.	,, 20	,, 8½
33	,,	Do.	,, 22	,, 8¾
19	,,	Orange Twist	,, 40	,, 14¼
15	,,	Do.	,, 40	,, 13¾
20	,,	Malo Twist	,, 40	,, 10½
18	,,	Do.	,, 50	,, 10¾
25	,,	Do.	,, 20	,, 8
60	,,	Do.	,, 20	,, 8
35	,,	Do.	,, 40	,, 10 5/16
30	,,	Mock Water	,, 20	,, 8 1/16
10	,,	Green Twist	,, 40	,, 14
20	,,	Red Madder	,, 40	,, 12¾

METALS.—*Copper* has fallen in demand ; both *Braziers* and *Sheathing* are quoted slightly lower. *Iron* remains firm at former prices ; *English Bars* have a much better enquiry than *Swedish Bars* have. Other descriptions of metals are without much change. Sales are :—

200	Cwt.	Spelter	at Rs.	11 3 0	p. cwt.
500	,,	Do.	,,	10 5 0	
500	,,	Do.	,,	10 5 0	
100	Tns.	English Iron	,,	28 4 0	p. cdy.
140	,,	Do.	,,	28 8 0	
500	Cwt.	Copper Tiles	,,	57 12 0	
200	,,	Red Lead (to arrive)	,,	15 0 0	
100	,,	Brazier T. Metal	,,	50 0 0	
200	,,	Do.	,,	49 8 0	
600	Bundles	Steel	,,	10 5 0	
200	Boxes	Tin Plates	,,	12 12 0	

COALS are unchanged in value and enquiry ; a small sale has transpired at our quotations.

COCHINEAL.—The enquiry is become more slack ; and sales could only be obtained at cheaper rates.

SAFFRON is quiet and worth Rs. 29 to 30.

THREADS are dull of sale and lower in value.

UMBRELLAS are also dull and lower in price.

BEER in moderate demand at our quotations. The following sales of *Tennents'* Ale and Porter have been effected since last mail.—

1500	Dozn Quarts	Tennents' Pale Ale	... at Rs.	4	12	p. doz.
733	,, Do.	do. Brown Stout	,,	4	12	
1332	,, Pints	do. Pale Ale	... ,,	2	12	
1362	,, Do.	do. Brown Stout	,,	2	12	

EXPORTS.

COTTON.—After the departure of the last Mail the Market maintained the firm tone which it had gained the previous fortnight. A growing confidence in a pacific settlement of the American question having become perceptible, prices gradually improved and several transactions took place. Since then the receipt of telegraphic news from England of the 3rd instant conveying the general impression that peace was almost certain, made the market buoyant and prices recovered about Rs. 8 to 10 of the decline reported in our last. This intelligence though it has induced a decidedly better feeling in the market has not been fully appreciated as it gives but an indistinct idea of the actual state of the Home markets ; consequently confirmation of this favourable impression is anxiously looked for by the English Mail now hourly expected. The operations have been chiefly confined to new cotton for immediate and future delivery ; old cotton is of inferior quality and dealt in sparingly. Sales reported are :

200	Candies	Hinguanghat	Rs. 175 0 p. cdy.
175	,,	Do.	170 0
500	,,	Oomrawuttee New, deliverable in May	167 8
100	,,	Dholerah new	165 0
200	,,	New Oomrawuttee, deliverable in March	160 0
600	,,	Do. do	168 0
100	,,	Oomrawuttee	156 0
100	,,	Old	155 0
150	,,	Verawall New, deliverable in March	151 0
850	,,	Dholerah New, deliverable in April	168 0
350	,,	New Oomrawuttee, deliverable in March	163 0
600	,,	Dholerah	160 0
100	,,	New Oomrawuttee	169 0
350	,,	New Broach, deliverable in March	175 0
275	,,	New Dholerah, deliverable in March	168 0
100	,,	Dholerah New, deliverable in May	169 0
200	,,	Comptah	162 to 164 0
100	,,	Vingorla	157 0
100	,,	New Broach, deliverable in April	180 4
400	,,	New Dholerah, deliverable in May	171 0
500	,,	Oomrawuttee, deliverable in April	170 0
500	,,	New Oomrawuttee, deliverable in February	175 0
100	,,	Comptah	164 0
250	,,	New Dholerah, deliverable in May	171 8
100	,,	Do.	164 0
150	,,	New Oomrawuttee, deliverable in April	171 0
600	,,	New Broach, deliverable in April	182 0
250	,,	Dharwar Sawginned	214 to 215 0
150	,,	New Oomrawuttee, deliverable in February	172 to 174 0
50	,,	Akote	178 0
100	,,	Dharwar Sawginned	218 0
50	,,	Old Verawall	162 8
1000	,,	Comptah	162 8
100	,,	New Oomrawuttee, deliverable in March	178 0
100	,,	Dharwar Sawginned	217 0
125	,,	Comptah	162 0

WOOL.—The demand has slackened of late, and middling and common sorts can be had at much cheaper rates ; fine qualities remain unchanged in value.

OILSEEDS.—The market is rather quiet. Linseed is less enquired for and worth Rs. 5-7 to 5-9 on the spot, and Rs. 5-5 to 5-6 for future delivery. Rapeseed is in bare supply at Rs. 6-10 to 6-12. Sesame seed is without enquiry and transactions. Poppy Seed is still scarce. Niger Seed may be had at Rs. 25 to 26. Ground Nuts are quoted Rs. 26 to 27. Sales reported are.

9000	Cwts.	Linseed, deliverable in March	at Rs.	5 2	2 p. cwt.
4000	,,	Do. deliverable in May	,,	5 5	0
1000	,,	Rapeseed	,,	6 12	0

COFFEE.—Mocha is again out of stock. Malabar is in scanty supply and held for at Rs. 91 to 93.

PEPPER.—No transactions are reported, and prices remain unchanged.

SALTPETRE.—Has fallen in demand and can be had at cheaper rates.

MADDERROOT.—without change and can be had at our quotations.

OPIUM.—The Malwa Market has been steady during the past fortnight under the influence of late advices from China, and a good business done for export, at between Rs. 1,500 to 1,515, which latter may be called today's quotation.

MONEY MARKET AND EXCHANGE.

The Money Market continues easy, and we have no change to report in the rates of discount of the Bank of Bombay, which remain as last quoted.

Government Securities have risen in value, owing to the telegraphic news from England that peace with America is almost certain, and we quote today for Fours, 86¼ to 86¾ ; Fives, 98¼ ; and Fives and a half, 106.

Exchange.—A further slight improvement has taken place in Exchange on London. The rates today for Bank Bills are 2s. 0-9/16d. to 2s. 0¾d., and Document Bills have been taken at 2s. 0-13/16d. to 2s. 0¾d.

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Interest is credited to Deposit accounts half-yearly.

No Interest allowed on Current Account Balances under Rs. 1,000 or over Rs. 50,000, unless by special agreement.

The Bank is agent of all public bodies connected with the Services and of such other Societies as the Directors may consider eligible for the same privilege, will be received by the Bank at the highest rate of interest for the time being, subject to modified conditions.

The Bank reserves to itself the right of paying off all Interest deposits, and of rectifying the terms thereof, on giving one month's notice.

Parties making remittances to the Banks should specify distinctly the Account or Accounts to which the same are to be credited. *Accuracy in this respects particularly desirable.*

COMMISSION.

The Bank takes charge of Government Securities, Shares in Banks and other Companies, without charge, and realizes the Interest and Dividends thereon on the following terms :—

If to be remitted in the Bank's Drafts, without charge.
If to be paid in India, a Commission will be charged of ¼ per cent.
On returning Government Paper, or Share Certificates not of safe custody, or when sold, on paying the proceeds of such sale in India, a commission will be charged of ¼ per cent. But if proceeds are remitted on the Bank's Drafts, without charge.
Commission charged on purchase and sale of Government securities and Shares, ¼ per cent.

HARRY JOHN,
Agent.

Bombay, 3rd January 1862.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

BOMBAY AGENCY.

EXCHANGE.

THE CORPORATION grant Drafts on London on Demand, and at Usance from one day to six months' sight, and Drafts on Scotland and Ireland on demand ; also Circular Notes negotiable in Egypt, Syria, the Continent of Europe, New York, the West Indies, China, Japan, and the Cape of Good Hope.

The Current rates of Exchange are :—

On London at 6 months' sight ..... 2s. 0¾d. per Rupee.
,, ,, 4 do. ..... 2s. 0¾d. do.
,, ,, 3 do. ..... 2s. 0d. do.
,, ,, 2 do. ..... 1s. 11¾d. do.
,, ,, 1 do. ..... 1s. 11¾d. do.
,, ,, on demand ..... 1s. 11¾d. do.
On Scotland do. ..... do.
On Ireland do. ..... do.

On Paris, at 3 days' sight ..... 1s. 11¾d. do.
Circular Notes payable throughout Europe 1s. 11¾d. do.

No Drafts at six months' sight are granted for sums under £50 Sums under £20 are only drawn for on Demand.

The Corporation purchases or collect Bills payable in Europe or in Calcutta, Madras, Ceylon, Hongkong, Singapore, Mauritius, Melbourne, and Sydney.

DEPOSITS.

The Corporation receive Deposits on the following terms :—

Repayable on demand, in sums of Rs. 100 and upwards ..... 2 per ct. per annum.
Do. in sums, at 3 months' notice ..... 3 ,, ,,
Do. do. 6 do. ..... 4 ,, ,,
Do. do. 12 do. ..... 5 ,, ,,

No interest allowed on Deposits under Rs. 1,000, nor on deposits for Rs. 50,000, *unless by special arrangement.*

REMITTANCE.

The Corporation undertake to remit money to Europe by each Overland Mail, free of charge.

Parties are requested to make all Orders or Hoondies payable to *"The Oriental Bank Corporation or Order,"* and to state distinctly the name and at true of the person to whom the Remittance is to be made, *(if to a Lady, her Christian name or names in full,)* and the sight at which the Bills are to be drawn.

COMMISSION.

The rate of Commission charged by this Agency on the purchase or sale of Government Securities negotiable in Bombay, is 1 per cent. on the amount invested or realized, and on the collection of Bills, one per cent. and Postage.

The Corporation take charge of Government Paper, Shares in the Bank of Bombay, and other local Stocks, free of all charges, and will draw Interests and Dividends on the same as they fall due, on the following terms :—

If to be remitted through the Corporation... Without charge.
If to be paid in India, a Commission will be charged of..... ½ per cent.
On returning Government Paper out of safe custody..... ½ per cent.

Hours of business..... 10 to 4 o'clock.
Saturday ..... 10 to 1 do.

KURRACHEE SUB-AGENCY.

Messrs. Finlay and Co. will grant Drafts on the Corporation and negociate Bills payable in London and Bombay.

Bombay 3rd January 1862.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.

EXCHANGE.

THE Bank grants Drafts on London, and on Scotland and Ireland, also Circular Notes negotiable in Egypt, Syria, the Continent of Europe, at the following current rates of Exchange :—

On London, at 6 months' sight ..... 2s. 0¾d. per Rupee.
,, 4 do. ..... 2s. 0¾d. ,,
,, 3 do. ..... 2s. 0d. ,,
,, 2 do. ..... 1s. 11¾d. ,,
,, 1 do. ..... 1s. 11¾d. ,,
,, on demand ..... 1s. 11¾d. ,,
On Scotland do. ..... do. ,,
On Ireland do. ..... do. ,,
Circular Notes for the use of Travellers on the Continent and to Europe, Overland, at 1 day's sight ..... 1s. 11¾d. ,,

Drafts at 3 months' sight are not granted for less than £50, and amounts under £20 are only drawn for payable on demand.

The Bank also purchases Bills and grants Drafts payable in Calcutta, Madras, Ceylon, Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai, Singapore, Penang, and Mauritius.

Bills are received at any of the above places at an uniform charge including postages, of one per cent.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Accounts ..... 1 per cent.
On Deposits payable on demand, subject to a commission of ½ per cent. on amounts withdrawn ..... 4 ,,
Deposits for 3 months ..... 4 ,,
Do. do. 6 do. ..... 5 ,,
Do. do. 12 do. ..... 6 ,,

No interest allowed on Current Account Balances under Rs. 1,000 or on Deposits over Rs 50,000, unless by special agreement.
No cheques paid or cash received under Rs. 20.

COMMISSION.

The Bank takes charge of Government Securities, Shares in Banks and other Companies, without charge, and realises Interest and Dividends thereon on the following terms :—

If to be remitted in the Bank's Drafts, without charge.
If to be paid in India, a Commission will be charged of ½ per cent.
On returning Government Paper, or Share Certificates not of safe custody, or when sold, on paying the proceeds of such sale in India, a commission will be charged of ½ per cent. But if proceeds are remitted on the Bank's Drafts, without charge.
Commission charged on purchase and sale of Government securities and Shares, ½ per cent.

HARRY JOHN,
Agent.

Bombay, 3rd January 1862.

COMMERCIAL BANK OF INDIA.

HEAD OFFICE BOMBAY.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Accounts above Rs. 1,000 and not exceeding 50,000, repayable on demand ..... 2 per ct. per ann.
Fixed Deposits for 6 months ..... 5 do. do.
Ditto do. 12 do. ..... 6 do. do.
No Cheques paid, or Cash received, under Rs. 20.

CASH CREDITS.

On Government Securities ..... 8 per cent.
On other Securities ..... 9 do.

EXCHANGE.

Bills on London, at 6 months' sight ..... 2s. 0¼d. per Rupee
Ditto 3 ditto ..... Rs. 111d. do.
Ditto 2 ditto ..... 1s. 11½d. do.
Ditto 1 ditto ..... 1s. 11½d. do.
Ditto on demand ..... 1s. 11½d. do.

COMMISSION.

On the sale or purchase of Government Paper, Bank Stock, and other Securities, ¼ per cent. on the amount realised or invested.

The Bank receives Government and other Securities for safe custody, free of charge, the interest or Dividends thereon being credited to account, or omitted home in the Bank's Bills, also without charge.

On interest, or Dividends, or on proceeds of Securities by sale, ¼ per cent. commission charged, if the amounts be paid in India ; if remitted home by the Bank, no commission charged.

On returning Securities out of safe custody, ¼ per cent. commission.

Hours of business ..... 10 to 4 o'clock.
Saturdays ..... 10 to 1 do.

ROBERT ANGUS,
Manager.

Bombay, 16th January 1861.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

Head Office—No. 70, Threadne ,, London.
Paid up Capital—£644,999.
T. A. MITCHELL, ESQ., M. P., *Chairman.*
Deputy Chairman.
London Bankers. { The Bank of England. The City Bank.
Branches and Agencies at

BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, SINGAPORE, HONGKONG, and SHANGHAI.

BOMBAY AGENCY.

EXCHANGE.

THE Bank's Agency in Bombay grants Bills of Exchange on The City Bank, London, at the following rates viz :—

6 months' sight not under £50, at 2s. 0¼d. per Rupee.
4 months' sight not under £50, at 2s. 0¼d. ,,
3 months' sight not under £20, at 2s. 0d. ,,
2 months' sight not under £50, at 1s. 11¾d. ,,
1 month's sight not under £10, at 1s. 11½d. ,,
On demand ..... at 1s. 11½d. ,,

All drafts to be paid for, on delivery, at the Bank's Office.

DEPOSITS.

Interest is allowed on Floating Deposits (CURRENT ACCOUNTS) at 2 per cent. per annum, on the daily balance, and on Fixed Deposits, as follows :—

Repayable on no sum, at 3 months' notice, 4 per cent.
Do. 6 do. 5 ,,
Do. 12 do. 6 ,,

No interest allowed on Current Account Balances under Rs 1,000 nor on Deposits above Rs. 50,000, unless by special arrange ment.

REMITTANCE.

The Bank's Agency undertakes to realise Drafts or Hoondies on he Presidency without charge, for remittance to Europe in the Bank's Bills on the City Bank, London.

All Drafts, or Hoondies, forwarded for realisation, to be made payable to the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China.

COMMISSION.

On the sale or purchase of Government Paper, Bank Stock, and other securities ¼ per cent. on the amount realised or invested.

The Bank receives Government and other Securities for safe custody, free of charge, the interest or Dividends thereon being credited to account, or remitted home in the Bank's Bills, also without charge.

On interest or Dividends, or proceeds of Securities by sale, ¼ per cent. commission charged, if the amounts be paid in India ; if remitted home by the Bank, no commission charged.

On delivering up of securities, deposited for safe custody, ¼ per cent. commission.

Office hours 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. ; Saturdays 10 A. M. to 1 P. M.

ANTHONY MORRISON,
Acting Agent.

January 3rd, 1862.

Shipping Intelligence.

BOMBAY.

Arrivals.

DATE	SHIP.	COMMANDER.	FROM
Jan. 25	Elphinstone (s)	Turnbull	Surat 24 Jan.
	Colonist	Gibson	Liverpool 26 Aug.
	Pescatore	Lacombe	Singapore 16 Dec.
	Jan Brant	Lovett	Moulmain 25 Dec.
	Glendower	Hughes	Liverpool 25 Aug.
26	Johnstone Castle (s)	Main	Kurrachee 24 Jan.

Departures.

DATE	SHIPS.	COMMANDERS.	TO
Jan. 25	Telegraph (s)	Kidder	Surat.
26	Cospatrick	Scott	London.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per steamer *M. S. Elphinstone*, from Surat.—Mr. Wood, and 99 natives.

Per steamer *Johnstone Castle*, from Kurrachee.—Mr. and Mrs. Cowly ; Mr. Bell ; Mr. Giles ; Lieut. Nowverie ; Mr. Ardaseer Friend and child, and 40 deck.

PASSENGERS SAILED.

Per steamer *Telegraph*, to Surat.—105 natives.

DAILY EXPORTS.

BOMBAY, Saturday, 25th January 1862.

For London.

Agricola.—46 bales Rags, 161 cwt., Gangjee Hunsraz ; 1,200 bags Linseed, 1800 cwt., Cursondass Madhowdase.

Gibson Craig.—300 bags Linseed, 450 cwt., Jairam Visram.

Cassibelanus.—1,200 bags Linseed, 1,800 S. and N. Naunabhoy.

Carolina Agnes.—1,202 pieces E. Teeth, 77 cwt. 2 qrs. 15 lbs., E. Hormusjee Sapoorjee ; 101 packages Coffee, 144 cwt. 3 qrs. 18 lbs., M. Pandoorung.

Loudrdale.—473 bags Linseed, 827½ cwt., S. Burstall and Co.

Her Majesty.—600 bags Linseed, 900 cwt., Vulubdass Lilladhur.

For Liverpool.

Queen of the North.—50 bales Wool, 160 cwt., Bhimjee Canjee ; 40 bales Wool, 120 cwt., Heerjee Jeatsy ; 4 bales Cotton, 13½ cwt., Lawrence and Co.

Mindora.—176 bales Cotton, 616 cwt., Woomedchund Hokumchund.

Oneus.—1 bale Cotton, 3½ cwt., Killick, Nixon and Co. ; 109 bales Cotton, 350 cwt., Ahmedbhoy Hubib ; 301 bales Cotton, 1,053½ cwt., Woomedchund Roopchund ; 110 bales Cotton, 385 cwt., Bhimjee Morarjee.

Startled Fawn.—75 bales Cotton, 262½ cwt., Tarrachund Solhsgchund ; 300 bales Cotton, 1,050 cwt., Munsook Bhugoobhoy ; 200 bales Cottos, 750 cwt., Leggatt and Co.

Peter Marcell.—50 bales Cotton, 175 cwt., Muncherjee Dadadhboy ; 100 bales Cotton, 350 cwt., S. and N. Nanabhoy ; 100 bales Cotton, 350 cwt., Goculdas Vrijbhookun ; 60 bales Cotton, 210 cwt., Nensy Damjee and Co.

Herald.—90 bales Cotton, 315 cwt., Bhimjee Canjee ; 200 bales Cotton, 700 cwt., Pairaw Luckmidass ; 100 bales Cotton, 350 cwt., Parsottim Tersy ; 1,000 bags Linseed, 500 cwt., Mooljee and Co. ; 75 bales Cotton, 281 cwt., Soorujmull Bhadreedass ; 45 bales Wool, 135 cwt., Vussunjee Vurria ; 205 bales Cotton, 717½ cwt., Woomersy Velljee ; 225 bales Cotton, 787½ cwt., Goculdass Cullianjee ; 100 bales Cotton, 350 cwt., Bhimjee Girther and Co.

Protector.—590 bales Cotton, 1,750 cwt., Dyall Jairaz ; 230 bags Linseed, 345 cwt., Jewraz Ruttonsy ; 30 bags Linseed, 45 cwt., Nensy Damjee ; 150 bales Cotton, 525 cwt., Canjee Toolsidass ; 225 bags Linseed, 337½ cwt., Nattarain Bhoojarain ; 24 bags Linseed, 36 cwt., S. Pinto and Co. ; 225 bales Cotton, 787½ cwt., Purshotum Tersy.

Venetia.—500 bales Cotton, 1,750 cwt., Ritchie, Steuart and Co. ; 150 bales Cotton, 450 cwt., Stearns, Hobart and Co.

Natolia.—125 bales Cotton, 437½ cwt., Luckmedass Hunsraz.

Typhoon.—150 bales Cotton, 525 cwt., Khetesy Tullaty ; 118 bales Cotton, 413 cwt., C. Furdoonjee.

Anwar.—100 bales Cotton, 350 cwt., Canjee Toolsidass ; 35 bales Wool, 105 cwt., Soonda Ragowjee ; 225 bales Cotton, 787½ cwt., Goculdass Cullianjee.

Concordia.—120 bales Cotton, 420 cwt., Judoo Ragowjee.

Selisia.—20 bales Cotton, 70 cwt., Tulsidass Nursidass ; 62½ bales Wool, 187½ cwt., Hormusj

preme, Sudder, and Small Cause Courts, civil and military officers, clergymen, lawyers, European and Native merchants, traders, shopkeepers, &c. &c.

The day was a general holiday.

The Sheriff having read the requisition calling the meeting, the Hon'ble H. W. Reeves was called to the Chair in the absence of His Excellency the Governor, who was prevented from attending by indisposition.

The Chairman opened the proceedings with the following Address :—

I thank you, gentlemen, for the honor you have done me, but I must inform you that I should have been far better pleased if the Chair could have been taken on this occasion by its appropriate occupant, His Excellency the Governor, whose indisposition has unfortunately prevented his attendance. I have been requested to say that His Excellency regrets extremely his inability to preside at this meeting and that nothing but weak health could have kept him away.

I now briefly draw attention to the circumstances which have brought us together here : and which have created a feeling of sorrow intense and profound throughout the Kingdom, unparalelled as I believe by any circumstance that has occurred since the death of the Princess Charlotte. These are—the sudden death in the prime of life of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort; a Prince rendered dear to the country by his amiability, his uprightness of character and many accomplishments. The mournful bereavement of our beloved Sovereign, who in the Consort has lost not a husband only but her only private adviser, and I must add her only friend. Such are the subjects that are to occupy your attention. Is there a man here, I ask, who does not feel deeply for his widowed Sovereign : who so will deserves all our sympathy, and in this most distressing moment of her life stands so much in need of it. I say, stands in need of it, for we must remember that it is one only privilege of dignity that the wearer must submit to an isolation from private intimacies—Kings have no equals, they cannot in the day of mourning expect to find the ear of friendship ready for them ; the consolatory influences which we all know to be so pleasant at our time of need, which spring from the heart of intimate friendship, are not open to them. Our gracious Queen is surrounded by her royal children, who weep with her, she appeals to the Omnipotent, and from him doubtless receives blessed comfort, but Her Majesty has not what any of her subjects can command, and which humanity yearns for the sympathy of friendship. Therefore, gentlemen, as our beloved Sovereign is deprived in the midst of her deep sorrow of the advantage which private life would have given her; she is entitled to expect that the *nation* will make it up to her by an overflowing demonstration of its loyal affectionate sympathy. This crowded assembly shews me that you are all ready to concur in the offer of this tribute to our Sovereign, and the resolutions now to be submitted to you will shew you how it is proposed to make it.

(Applause).

I. Resolution.—Proposed by the Lord Bishop of Bombay, seconded by Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, Bart., and carried unanimously :—

The Lord Bishop of Bombay said,—Did I think, Sir, that this Resolution was one which would require anything in the way of persuasion to commend it to this assembly, I should have shrunk from the mournful duty of proposing its adoption. But the only difficulty of which I am conscious at this moment is altogether of another kind. It is not that I have to invite the attention of an audience unwilling to listen, or to secure the concurrence of hearers reluctant to consent, but that, whatever I may venture to offer in support of the Resolution will not only have been anticipated in the minds of all around me, it will also, I am very sensible, fall far below what their heart's emotions dictate. For this occasion is eminently one which calls our deepest feelings into play. Mingled with topics of public concernment, there is so much in it which goes to our best sympathies, I might say to our very affections, that I feel when I look on the numerous and varied gathering which now fills this hall, it is not merely the call of duty, patriotism, or loyalty, which has brought us together, but this, if possible, still more the impulse of the finest and tenderest sensibility. We have come together as common mourners for a common loss. We have come too as the subjects of a sorrowing Queen, in this her day of bitter grief, humbly and dutifully to lay our condolences at her feet, and to assure her that, although far separated from her presence, we do really in spirit attend herself, and her heart-broken children, under their sore bereavement, to "weep with them that weep." On such an occasion, Sir, the memory goes back to the past. It is fair to recall what it may to deepen its sensations. I well recollect being one of many, who scarcely three and twenty years ago, it seems but as yesterday, greeted our beloved Sovereign and her Consort with sincere congratulations, on their first appearance in public after their happy union. And I do not forget how, together with the liveliest interest in their then position, thoughts were blended of earnest solicitude for the future. Men looked upon that youthful pair, and while from their hearts they prayed, "God bless them," they exchanged at the same time, one with another, their anxieties. The Prince was young ; the Queen still younger ; and although indeed, owing to that excellent education, which had been all her royal mother's care, united to her own singular good sense and right feeling, her reign had been commenced under auspices the most promising, still the question would arise, will all go on as well ? It was not unknown what elements of evil were working abroad, and even in some degree at home ; and the fear was, lest occasion might be given for restlessness and disaffection, if any retrogade change took place, and especially if any unfortunate political indiscretion should set the court in opposition, either real or apparent, to the national mind. But from that day to this, thank God, no such calamity ever occurred. The excellencies which had marked the rule of the maiden Queen were now only strengthened and confirmed. The Court gained, for the country gained, by her Majesty's alliance with the husband of her choice. And a wonderful path it was which that young couple marked out for themselves, and which, I believe, that history has nothing to exceed, if to equal it. Where shall we find a parallel case of two royal personages, with so little previous experience, setting out together in public life at so critical a time, and maintaining for well nigh three and twenty years a course so distinguished for personal virtues, and for political prudence, with such staid reserve, wherever reserve was right, coupled with such open demonstrations of fellow feeling with the people of England in all their interests and pursuits, with such unwearied attention to the affairs of the state, yet never any undue favour for one political party above another, with free and friendly intercourse, to so great an extent, with other royalties, but never one thought for a moment of compromising the independence of England by submission to continental diplomacy ; and all this graced and crowned with a spotlessness of morals, and an exemplariness in domestic life, which gave to the throne the strongest possible hold on the esteem, the reverence, and the love of a people themselves domestic, moral, and religious. I do not for one moment question that the lustre which thus gathered round our sovereign was strictly the reflection of her own high qualities. Nevertheless I cannot but also think that she derived the greatest advantage from having one at her side whose dispositions were so congenial with her own. What must the consequences have been had he been otherwise minded ? If his tastes had been less correct, or his conduct less irreproachable, or his judgment less calm, or his political predilections less under control, how different for our Queen, how different for the empire, the progress of events might have been. But the late Prince certainly proved himself worthy of his position ; and England learned to prize him more and more. The later years of his life had especially won for him a growing regard. Aiming at no unconstitutional prominence in the state, he laid himself out for the social improvement of the people, and the advancement of science and art, and in such a way as to give an altogether new impulse to the popular mind in that direction. Manufactures assumed a place unknown to them before ; and every branch of useful knowledge came under the salutary influence. Doubtless it was a great thing for the country, and we all felt it to have in the consort of the Queen an accomplished man, who, whenever the savans of Europe assembled within his reach, could go in among them, and take his own place as one of them, and on whatever subject he addressed them proved that he was deserving of the attention which he invariably gained. England was justly proud of this ; not only proud but grateful. For she saw what was the mind which was controlling the education of her future princes—a mind of no ordinary cultivation, with a strong sense not only of the beautiful and the ornate but also of the practically useful, and the morally right ; and she felt that those princes would come forth to her from a home in which virtue, knowledge and good taste had refined their minds, while respect for the law had moulded their character, and fitted them, if only they remembered the teachings of their youth to claim in days to come the respect and attachment of an intelligent and advancing people. Gentlemen, this point is one in which we all have the deepest concern. It is a matter of the greatest consideration with every native, noble or gentle, here present, as well as with every Englishman, what is to be the mind of our future monarch—the monarch of British India as well as of the British isles. And so far as the departed Prince was answerable for it, assuredly we all shall own that we have only cause to cherish his memory with grateful applause. He has done his duty. May his royal widow find at least one to compare with the best she now can know, in seeing her sons and daughters retaining in their after life the impress of their father's moral worth and varied intelligence. And when, at some far distant day, the Prince of Wales is called to sit on England's throne, then may not England's people only, but his Indian subjects also, continue to confess the debt they owe to his illustrious Sire, and thank that gracious Providence which gave us, at this particular period of our history, such a Queen, and such a Prince, to be the parents of our future Kingdom. *(Applause.)*

In seconding the first Resolution, Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, Bart., said :—

Our worthy Chairman and the Lord Bishop have so forcibly and so eloquently introduced to the meeting the object for which we are now assembled that it would be trespassing on your time if I were to attempt any lengthened observations on the Resolution which I have the honor to second. No observe than at session of the meetings held in various parts of the United Kingdom, similar in their sad purpose to that which has called now us together, the address of condolence to Her Majesty was adopted in *solemn silence*. How appropriate, under the circumstances such a mode of proceeding ! How much in harmony with the melancholy occasion ! Nevertheless I cannot but also think that she derived the greatest advantage from having one at her side whose dispositions were so congenial with her own. What must the consequences have been had he been otherwise minded ? If his tastes had been less correct, or his conduct less irreproachable, or his judgment less calm, or his political predilections less under control, how different for our Queen, how different for the empire, the progress of events might have been. But the late Prince certainly proved himself worthy of his position ; and England learned to prize him more and more. The later years of his life had especially won for him a growing regard. Aiming at no unconstitutional prominence in the state, he laid himself out for the social improvement of the people, and the advancement of science and art, and in such a way as to give an altogether new impulse to the popular mind in that direction. Manufactures assumed a place unknown to them before ; and every branch of useful knowledge came under the salutary influence. Doubtless it was a great thing for the country, and we all felt it to have in the consort of the Queen an accomplished man, who, whenever the savans of Europe assembled within his reach, could go in among them, and take his own place as one of them, and on whatever subject he addressed them proved that he was deserving of the attention which he invariably gained. England was justly proud of this ; not only proud but grateful. For she saw what was the mind which was controlling the education of her future princes—a mind of no ordinary cultivation, with a strong sense not only of the beautiful and the ornate but also of the practically useful, and the morally right ; and she felt that those princes would come forth to her from a home in which virtue, knowledge and good taste had refined their minds, while respect for the law had moulded their character, and fitted them, if only they remembered the teachings of their youth to claim in days to come the respect and attachment of an intelligent and advancing people. Gentlemen, this point is one in which we all have the deepest concern. It is a matter of the greatest consideration with every native, noble or gentle, here present, as well as with every Englishman, what is to be the mind of our future monarch—the monarch of British India as well as of the British isles. And so far as the departed Prince was answerable for it, assuredly we all shall own that we have only cause to cherish his memory with grateful applause. He has done his duty. May his royal widow find at least one to compare with the best she now can know, in seeing her sons and daughters retaining in their after life the impress of their father's moral worth and varied intelligence. And when, at some far distant day, the Prince of Wales is called to sit on England's throne, then may not England's people only, but his Indian subjects also

LATEST ENGLISH NEWS.

AMERICA.

(From the Times, Dec. 25.)

LIVERPOOL, MONDAY.

The Cunard mail steamship Canada, Captain Muir, has arrived with advices from Boston, to the 11th, New York (by telegraph) to the 12th, and Halifax to the 13th.

The Cunard steamship Africa, hence; the steamship Bavaria, from Hamburg; the steamship Hansa, from Southampton; and the steamer City of New York, hence had arrived out.

The steamer Europa had not arrived out when the Canada left. This vessel. which left Queenstown on the 2nd inst., conveyed the important despatches of the British Government to Lord Lyons respecting the capture of the Confederate Commissioners on board the Trent.

In the Senate on the 9th, Mr. Grimes presented a petition from a citizen of Iowa, who has invented a "rebel mowing machine or double acting bomb," to which he wished to call the special attention of the Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs. On the motion of Mr. Chandler, the resolution inquiring into the causes of the disasters to the Federal army at Bull's Run and Ball's Bluff was taken up. The question was on the substitute offered by Mr. Grimes, "that a committee investigate the causes of all the disasters that have happened to the Union forces." After a debate the resolution was adopted by 33 to 3. No business of importance was transacted on the 10th.

It was currently reported at Washington that the Military Committee of the House favoured the treatment of privateers captured by Federal vessels as prisoners of war.

In the House of Representatives on the 9th, Mr. Richardson, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported the following, which was passed:—

"Whereas, the exchange of prisoners in the present rebellion has already been practised indirectly, and at such exchange would not only increase enlistments and the vigour of our army, but subserve the highest interest of humanity, and as such exchange does not involve recognition of the rebels as a Government, therefore resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, &c., that the President of the United States be requested to inaugurate systematic measures for the exchange of prisoners in the present rebellion."

On motion it was resolved that the Committee on Foreign Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of furnishing relief to the starving population of Ireland, and to report by Bill or otherwise.

Mr. Wickliffe, from the Committee on Military Affairs reported a Bill authorizing the raising of a volunteer force for the better defence of Kentucky.

Mr. Lovejoy introduced the following preamble and resolution:—

"Whereas, Major-General Halleck, of the Western Department, has issued an order prohibiting negroes from coming within the lines of our camps, and excluding those already under the protection of our troops; and whereas a different policy and practice prevails in other departments by the direct sanction of the Administration, and whereas said order is cruel and inhuman and in the judgment of this House based upon no military necessity: therefore resolved, that the President be respectfully requested to direct General Halleck to recall said order or cause it to conform to the practice in other departments of the army.

Mr. Cox moved to lay the resolution on the table, which was disagreed to by a vote of yeas, 63; nays, 68.

Mr. Lansing offered a substitute, which Mr. Lovejoy accepted. The substitute characterizes the order of Major General Halleck as inhuman and cruel, and respectfully requests the President to direct General Halleck to recall the said order and cause him (Halleck) to conform to the practice in the other departments of the army. The consideration of the subject was then postponed.

On the 10th Mr. Pendleton, of Ohio, moved that the memorial of Messrs. Howard, Getchell, and Davis be referred back to the Committee on Judiciary, with instructions declaring that Congress alone has power under the Constitution to suspend the writ of *habeas corpus*; that the exercise of that power by any other department of the Government is an usurpation, and dangerous to the public liberty; that the persons above named be delivered to the Marshal, to the end that they may be indicted, with the right of speedy trial, if there be probable cause for such indictment. Mr. Pendleton spoke at length on the subject, which is that of the Baltimore Police Commissioners. He said if the President can suspend one provision of the Constitution, he can all, and reduce the nation to the condition of slaves, by changing the theory of Government. Any nation willing to adopt this theory is so lost to a manly sense of independence, dignity, and to a just consciousness of their courage and duty of defending the Government, that the yoke is a fit emblem of their degradation. No one should listen to the doctrine of State necessity, the history of which is written in the wreck of public liberty. Mr. Bingham, of Ohio, replied that all his colleague had just said or could say had been fully and satisfactorily answered by the arguments of the Attorney General, heretofore submitted. Notwithstanding the ability of his colleague, he had been unable to disguise the fact that the time contemplated by the words of the Constitution for the suspension of the writ of *habeas corpus* was when rebellion was trying to shake down the pillars of the Constitution. It was no time to be splitting hairs as to whether Congress or the President should first exercise the power. On the motion of Mr. Bingham the whole subject was tabled—108 against 26.

At Washington a rumour was current that a member of General Banks' Staff had decamped, taking with him numbers of valuable papers. Persons had been sent in pursuit of him.

The *New York World* gives the following synopsis of the Secretary of the Treasury's report:—

"The report of the Secretary of the Treasury, which was published in our evening edition of yesterday, and again in our columns today, is a comprehensive and valuable document conservative and cautious in the changes it recommends, and clear and positive in the enunciation of those sound principles of financial policy which framed the Treasury law and vetoed the United States' Bank. The Secretary states, as the principle for regulating the amount of revenue 'indispensable to a sound system of finance' which 'reflection has only determined in his mind as just and for the interests of the people, 'taxation to produce enough for ordinary expenditures, for prompt payment of interest on the public debt, existing and authorized, and a surplus fund sufficient to extinguish the principal within 30 years.' Mr. Chase rivets this clear exposition of the American national system of paying debts, as distinguished from that of European Governments, with the following emphatic sentence:—'The idea of perpetual debt is not of American nativity, and should not be naturalized.' The tariff is recommended to be advanced as follows:—Brown sugar, 2½c. per lb.; clayed sugar, 3c.; green tea, 20c; and coffee, 5c. No other changes are proposed. The direct tax on property is recommended to be raised to the amount of $20,000,000 from the loyal States; and, furthermore, $20,000,000 by duties on stills and distilled liquors, on tobacco, on bank-notes, on carriages, on legacies, on paper evidences, of debt and instruments for conveyance of property, and other like subjects of taxation; also $10,000,000 from the income-tax, making the total yearly product of direct taxation other than Customs, amount to $50,000,000 per annum. The proceeds of Customs' duties are estimated at $32,198,662, and from lands and miscellaneous sources $2,354,062. The total from all other sources except direct taxation is estimated at $40,000,000, and from direct taxation $50,000,000, making the yearly revenue $90,000,000. On this subject the Secretary gives the following interesting remarks and suggestions:—

"'But if the sum is large, the means of the people are also large; and the object to be attained by a consecration of a portion of them to the public service is priceless. The real property of the loyal States is valued, in round numbers, at seven and a half thousands of millions, the personal property at three and a half thousands of millions, and the annual surplus of earnings of the loyal people at more than $300,000,000. Four mills on each dollar, or two-fifths of 1 per cent. on the real and personal property of the loyal States, will produce $44,000,000; to which sum the proposed income-tax will probably add $10,000,000. The whole sum will be little more than one-sixth of the surplus earnings of the country.'

"The Secretary also explains that the July estimates of expenditure were based on an army of 250,000 men, which Congress afterwards increased to 500,000.

"The existing appropriations, loans, and estimated revenue for the year ending June 30, 1862, are estimated at $329,501,994, and the expenditure at $543,406,422. This will require further loans for $213,904,427, but $200,000,000 will probably be enough.

"For the year ending June 30, 1863, the expenditure and interest on debt are estimated at $475,331,245 and the receipts from Customs and taxation at $95,800,000, leaving a balance to raise by loans of $379,431,215.

"The whole amount required from loans may, therefore, be thus stated:—

For the year 1862, under existing laws	$75,449,67,300
For the fiscal year of 1862, under laws to be enacted	200,000,00,000
For the fiscal year 1863, also under laws to be enacted	379,531,24,551
	$654,920,93951

"If the war lasts until June 30, 1863, and these estimates prove correct, the national debt on that day will be $900,000,000.

"The statement, in brief, is as follows:—

On the 1st day of July,

1860, the public debt was	$64,769,70308
1861, the public debt was	90,867,82868
1862, the public debt will be	517,372,80203
1863, the public debt will be	897,372,80293

Mr. Chase, in his remarks on bank circulation, gives an unqualified adherence to the principle of specie payments as indispensable to sound banking, and condemns the further use of United States demand notes by Government. The plan which he recommends is prudent, safe for the public interests, and under the judicious control of practical business men, may be made the instrument for a thorough regeneration of our bank-note currency. The following are its suggestions:—

"Its principal features are (1st), a circulation of notes bearing a common impression, and authenticated by a common authority; (2d), the redemption of these notes by the associations and institutions to which they may be delivered for issue; and (3d), the security of that redemption by the pledge of the United States' stocks, and an adequate provision of specie. In this plan the people in their ordinary business would find the advantages of uniformity in currency; of uniformity in security; of effectual safeguard, if effectual safeguard is possible, against depreciation; and of protection from losses in discounts and exchanges; while, in the operations of the Government the people would find the further advantage of a large demand for Government securities, of increased facilities, for obtaining the loans required by the war, and of some alleviation of the burdens on industry through a diminution of the rate of interest, or a participation in the profit of circulation, without risking the perils of a great money monopoly. A further and important advantage to the people may be reasonably expected in the increased security of the Union, springing from the common interest in its preservation, created by the distribution of its stocks to associations throughout the country, as the basis of their circulation."

Among the documents connected with the foreign relations of the United States which had been submitted to Congress was one to Mr. Dayton, Minister at Paris, dated June 17, 1861, in which the whole subject of the foreign recognition of the Southern Confederacy is discussed. It appears that Mr. Seward was waited upon by the Ministers of France and Great Britain, who announced that they had been charged by their respective Governments to read a despatch to him. He replied that, under the circumstances, he could not consent to an official reading of the papers without first knowing their tenor. They were then submitted informally to his examination, when he perceived that they proposed not only to recognize the rebels as belligerents, but to hold official communication with their so-called Government for certain purposes of explanation. Mr. Seward, therefore, immediately declined the official reception of any such communication. The Secretary says he learned some time ago, through our Legation at St. Petersburg, that an understanding had been effected between the Governments of Great Britain and France that they should take one and the same course on the subject of the political disturbances in this country, including the possible recognition of the insurgents. In pursuance of this it was agreed before the new Ministers were sent out by the present Administration, and they have been instructed that the United States' Government will take no notice of such preconcerted agreements, but, according to invariable usage, will deal with each Power separately. The Secretary then says:—

"The United States, rightly jealous, as we think, of their sovereignty, cannot suffer themselves to debate any abridgement of that sovereignty with France or with any other nation. Much less can it consent that France shall announce to it a conclusion of her own against that sovereignty, which conclusion France has adopted without any previous conference with the United States on the subject. This Government insists that the United States are one whole undivided nation, especially so far as foreign nations are concerned, and that France is, by the law of nations and by treaties, not a neutral power between two imaginary parties here, but a friend of the United States."

Mr. Seward admits that "we have abundant evidence of the good feeling and good wishes of the Emperor," and he thinks that this step was the result of an inadvertence, and would not have occurred if it had been delayed till the arrival of Mr. Dayton at Paris. France had been led to mistake an ordinary insurrection for a war that had divided one power into two. But, he says, there is only one political power here, the United States of America. He continues:—

"There is, indeed, an armed sedition seeking to overthrow the Government, and the Government is employing military and naval forces to repress it. But these facts do not constitute a war presenting two belligerent Powers, and modifying the national character, rights, and responsibilities, or the characters, rights, and responsibilities of foreign nations. It is true that insurrection may ripen into revolution, and that revolution may extinguish a previously existing State, or divide it into one or more independent States, and that if such States continue their strife after such division then there exists a state of war affecting the characters, rights, and duties of all parties concerned. But this only happens when the revolution has run its successful course."

But the reasoning adopted by France and England is that certain facts give the insurgents the appearance of a government *de facto*, and therefore they are to be regarded as belligerents in conformity with the laws of war. If this principle were allowed, argues Mr. Seward, it would still be important to inquire how many nations see the facts in this light. Thus far, there are only two. Are the judgments of these two to overbear those of all other nations? Doubtless each nation may judge and act for itself, but it certainly cannot expect the United States to accept its decision upon a question vital to their national existence. Our Sovereign rights do not at all depend upon the appearance they may assume in the eyes of foreign nations, and we shall defend them, and expect other nations to respect them, until, if ever, Providence permits them to be overthrown. Mr. Seward then goes over the diplomatic negotiations with France with regard to the declarations of the Congress of Paris, and shows that she claims nothing of us which we do not freely concede. And in declining to receive the communication referred to, we only refuse her the privilege of telling us we are at war, when we maintain that as to her we are at peace, and that she is a friend when we prefer to recognize her as a friend. After expressing the most amicable sentiments, Mr. Seward closes with the following passage:—

"The case, as it now stands, is the simple, ordinary one that has happened at all times and in all countries. A discontented domestic faction seeks foreign intervention to overthrow the Constitution and the liberties of its own country. Such intervention, if yielded, is ultimately disastrous to the cause it is designed to aid. Every uncorrupted nation in its deliberate moments prefers its own integrity, even with unbearable evils, to division through the power or influence of any foreign State. This is so in France. It is not less so in this country. Down deep in the heart of the American people—deeper than the love of trade, or of freedom—deeper than the attachment to any local or sectional interest, or partisan pride, or individual ambition—deeper than any other sentiment—is that one out of which the Constitution of this Union arose—namely, American independence; independence of all foreign control, alliance, or influence. Next above it lies the conviction that neither peace, nor safety, nor public liberty, nor prosperity, nor greatness, nor empire, can be attained here with the sacrifice of the unity of the people of North America. Those who, in a frenzy of passion, are building expectations on other principles do not know what they are doing. Whenever one part of this Union shall be found assuming bonds of dependence or of fraternity toward any foreign people, to the exclusion of the sympathies of their native land, then, even if not before, that spirit will be reawakened which brought the States of this Republic into existence, and which will preserve them united until the common destiny which opened to them shall be fully and completely realized."

Captain Wilkes, of the San Jacinto, had made the following report to the Secretary of the Navy respecting the Trent affair:—

"United States' steamer San Jacinto, at Sea, Nov. 16.

"Sir,—In my despatch by Commodore Taylor I confined myself to the Reports of the movements of this ship, and the facts connected with the capture of Messrs. Mason and Slidell, Eustis, and Macfarland, as I intended to write you particularly relative to the reasons which induced me to arrest these prisoners. On the 7th inst. I heard at Cienfugos, on the south side of Cuba, of these Commissioners having landed on the Island of Cuba, and that they were at Havannah, and would depart in the English steamer of the 7th of November, I determined to intercept them, and carefully examined all the authorities on international law to which I had access—viz., Kent, Wheaton, Vattel, besides various decisions of Sir William Scott, and other judges of the Admiralty Court of Great Britian, which bore upon the rights of of neutrals, and their responsibilities The Governments of Great Britain, France, and Spain having issued proclamations that the Confederate States were viewed, considered, and treated as belligerents, and knowing that the ports of Great Britain, France, Spain, and Holland, in the West Indies, were open to their vessels, and that they were admitted to all the courtesies and protection vessels of the United States received, every aid and attention being given them, proved clearly that they acted upon this view and decision, and brought them within the international law of search, and under the responsibilities. I therefore felt no hesitation in boarding and examining the vessels of whatever nation I fell in with, and have done so. The question arose in my mind, whether I had the right to capture the persons of these Commissioners—whether they were amenable to capture. There was no doubt I had the right to capture vessels with written despatches; they are expressly referred to in all authorities, subjecting the vessel to seizure and condemnation if the capture of the vessel fell the knowledge of their being on board; but these gentlemen were not despatches in the literal sense, and did not seem to come under that designation, and nowhere could I find a case in point. That they were Commissioners I had ample proof from their own avowal, and bent on mischievous and traitorous errands against our country—to overthrow its institutions and enter into treaties and alliances with foreign States, expressly forbidden by the Constitution. They had been presented to the Captain-General of Cuba by Her Britannic Majesty's Consul-General, but the Captain-General told me he had not recieved them in that capacity, but as destinguished gentlemen and strangers. I then considered them as the embodiment of despatches, and as they had openly declared themselves as charged with all authority from the Confederate Government to form treaties and alliances tending to the establishment of their independence, I became satisfied that their mission was adverse and criminal to the Union, and it therefore became my duty to arrest their progress and capture them, if they had no passports or papers from the Federal Government, as provided for under the law of nations—viz., 'That a foreign Ministers of a belligerent on board of neutral ships are required to possess papers from the other belligerent to permit them to pass free.' Report and assumption gave them the title of Ministers to France and England, but inasmuch as they had not been received by either of those Powers, I did not conceive they had immunity without them for their persons, and were but escaped conspirators plotting and contriving to overthrow the Government of the United States, and they were therefore not to be considered as having any claim to the immunities attached to the character they thought fit to assume. As respects the steamer in which they embarked I ascertained in the Havannah that she was a merchant vessel plying between Vera Cruz, the Havannah, and St. Thomas, carrying the mail by contract. The agent of the vessel, the son of the British Consul at Havannah, was well aware of the character of these persons, that they engaged their passage and did embark in the vessel; his father had visited them, and introduced them as Ministers of the Confederate States, on their way to England and France. They went in the steamer with the knowledge and consent of the captain who endeavoured afterwards to conceal them by refusing to exhibit the passenger list and the papers of the vessel. There can be no doubt he knew they were carrying highly important despatches. and were endowed with instructions inimical to the United States. This rendered his vessel, a neutral, a good prize; and I determined to take possession of her, and as I mentioned in my report, send her to Key West for adjudication, where I am well satisfied she would have been condemned for carrying those persons and for resisting to be searched; the cargo was also liable, as all the shippers were knowing to the embarkation of these live despatches and their traitorous motives and actions to the Union of the United States. I forbore to seize her, however, in consequences of my being so reduced in officers and crew, and the derangement it would cause innocent persons, there being a large number of passengers who would have been put to great loss and inconvenience, as well as disappointment, from the interruption it would have caused them in not being able to join the steamer from St. Thomas for Europe. I, therefore, concluded to sacrifice the interests of my officers and crew in the prize, and suffered the steamer to proceed after the necessary detention to effect the transfer of these Commissioners, considering I had obtained the important end I had in view, and which affected the interests of our country and interrupted the action of that of the Confederates. I would add that the conduct of Her Britannic Majesty's subjects, both official and others, showed but little regard or obedience to her proclamation, by aiding and abetting the views and endeavouring to conceal the persons of the Commissioners. I have pointed out sufficient reasons to show you that my action in this case was derived from a firm conviction that it became my duty to make these parties prisoners, and to bring them to the United States. Although in my giving up this valuable prize I have so deprived the officers and crew of the prize reward, I am assured they are quite content to forego any advantages which might have accrued to them under the circumstances. I may add that, having assumed the responsibility, I am willing to abide the result. "I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

"CHARLES WILKES, Captain.

"Hon. Gideon Welles, Secretary of the Navy."

The following is a copy of the orders issued by Captain Wilkes, of the San Jacinto, to Lieutenant Fairfax, executive officer of that vessel, for the arrest of Messrs. Mason and Slidell:—

"United States' Steamer San Jacinto, at Sea, Nov. 8.

"Sir,—You will leave the second and third cutters of this ship fully manned and armed, and be, in all respects, prepared to board the steamer Trent, now hove to under our guns. On boarding her you will demand the papers of the steamer, her clearance from Havannah, with the list of passengers and crew. Should Mr. Mason, Mr. Slidell, Mr. Eustis, and Mr. Macfarland be found on board you will make them prisoners, and send them on board this ship immediately, and take possession of her as a prize. I do not deem it will be necessary to use force—that the prisoners will have the good sense to avoid any necessity for using it; if they should, they must be made to understand that it is their own fault. They must be brought on board in the first instance, packages, and bags belonging to them you will take possession of and send on board this ship. Any despatches found on the persons of the prisoners, or in possession of those on board the steamer, will be taken possession of also, examined, and retained if necessary. I have understood that the families of these gentlemen may be with them; if so, I beg you will offer some of them, in my name, a passage in this ship to the United States; and that all the attention and comforts we can command are tendered them, and will be placed at their service. In the event of their acceptance, should there be anything which the captain of the steamer can spare to increase the comforts, in the way of necessaries or stores, of which a war vessel is deficient, you will please to procure them; the amount will be paid by the paymaster. Lieutenant James A. Green will take command of the third cutter, which accompanies you, and will assist you in these duties. I trust that all those under your command, in executing this important and delicate duty will conduct themselves with all the delicacy and kindness which becomes the character of our naval service.

"I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

CHARLES WILKES, Captain.

Lieutenant D. M. Fairfax, United States Navy,
Executive Officer, San Jacinto."

A Board appointed by the Navy Department to examine into the question of iron-plated frigates had sent in their report, from which the following is an extract:

"Opinions differ among naval and scientific men as to the policy of adopting the iron armature for ships of war For coast and harbour defence they are undoubtedly formidable adjuncts to fortifications on land. As cruising vessels, however, we are sceptical as to their advantages and ultimate adoption. But while other nations are endeavouring to perfect them we must not remain behind. The enormous load of iron as so much additional weight to the vessel, the great breadth of beam necessary to give her stability, the short supply of coal she will be able to stow in bunkers, the greater power required to propel her, and the largely increased cost of instruction, are objections to this class of vessel as cruisers, which we believe it is difficult successfully to overcome. But for coast harbour service we consider iron-clad vessels of light draught of floating batteries thus shielded as very important, and we feel at this moment the necessity of them on some of our rivers and inlets to enforce obedience to the laws. We, however, do not hesitate to express the opinion notwithstanding all we heard or seen written on the subject, that no ship or floating battery, however heavily she may be plated can cope successfully with a properly constructed fortification of masonry. The one is fixed and immovable, and, though constructed of a material which may be shattered by shot, can be covered, if need be, by the same or much heavier armour than a floating vessel can bear, while the other is subject to disturbances by winds and waves, and to the powerful influence of the tides and currents. Armoured ships or batteries may be employed advantageously to pass fortifications on land for ulterior objects of attack, to run a blockade, or to reduce temporary batteries on the shores of rivers, and the approaches to our harbours. From what we know of the comparative advantages and disadvantages of ships constructed of wood and those of iron, we are clearly of opinion that no iron-clad vessel of equal displacement can be made to obtain the same speed as one not thus encumbered, because her form would be better adapted to speed. Her form and dimensions, the unyielding nature of the shield, detract materially in a heavy sea from the life, buoyancy, and spring which a ship built of wood possesses. Wooden ships may be said to be but coffins for their crews when brought in conflict with iron-clad vessels; but the speed of the former, we take for granted, being greater than that of the latter, they can readily choose their position and keep out of harm's way entirely. Recent improvements in the form and preparation of projectiles, and their increased capacity for destruction, have elicited a large amount of ingenuity and skill to devise means for resisting them in the construction of ships of war. As yet we know of nothing superior to the large and heavy spherical shot in its destructive effects on vessels, whether plated or not. Rifle guns have greater range, but the conical shot does not produce the crushing effect of spherical shot. It is assumed that 4½-inch plates are the heaviest armour a sea-going vessel can safely carry. These plates should be of tough iron, and rolled in large, long pieces. This thickness of armour, it is believed, will resist all projectiles now in general use at a distance of 500 yards, especially if the ship's sides are angular. Plates hammered in large masses are less fibrous and tough than when rolled. The question whether wooden backing, or any elastic substance behind the iron plating, will tend to relieve at all the frame of the ships from the crushing effect of a heavy projectile, is not yet decided. Major Barnard says, 'To put an elastic material behind the iron is to insure its destruction.' With all deference to such creditable authority, we may suggest that it is possible a backing of some elastic substance—soft wood, perhaps, is the best—might relieve the frame of the ship somewhat from the terrible shock of a heavy projectile, though the plate should not be fractured. With regard to a comparison between ships of iron and those of wood without plating, high authorities in England differ as to which is the best. The top of ships built of iron, we are told, wear out three bottoms, while the bottoms of those built of wood will outwear three tops. In deciding upon the relative merits of iron and wooden framed vessels, for each of which we have offers, the Board is of opinion that it would be well to try a specimen of each, as both have distinguished advocates. One strong objection to iron vessels, which so far as we know has not yet been overcome, is the oxidation or rust in salt water, and their liability of becoming foul under water by the attachment of sea-grass and animalcules to their bottoms. The best preventive we know of is a coating of pure zinc paint, which so long as it lasts is believed to be an antidote to this cause of evil. After these brief remarks on the subject generally, we proceed to notice the plans and offers referred to us for the construction of plated vessels and floating batteries. It has been suggested that the most ready mode of obtaining an iron-clad ship of war would be to contract with responsible parties in England for its complete construction, and we are assured that parties there are ready to engage in such an enterprise on terms more reasonable, perhaps, than such vessels could be built in this country, having much greater experience and facilities than we possess. Indeed, we are informed there are no mills and machinery in this country capable of rolling iron 4½ inches thick, though plates might be hammered to that thickness in many of our workshops. As before observed, rolled iron is considered much the best, and the difficulty of rolling it increases rapidly with the increase of thickness. It has, however, occurred to us that a difficulty might arise with the British Government in case we should undertake to construct ships of war in that country, which might complicate their delivery, and moreover we are of opinion that every people or nation who can maintain a navy should be capable of constructing it themselves. Our immediate demands seem to require first, so far as practicable, vessels invulnerable to shot, of light draught of water, to penetrate our shoal harbours, rivers and bayous; we therefore favour the construction of this class of vessels before going into a more perfect system of large iron-clad sea-going vessels of war. We are here met with the difficulty of encumbering small vessels with armour, which, from their size, they are unable to bear. We, nevertheless, recommend that contracts be made with responsible parties for the construction of one or more iron-clad vessels or batteries, of as light a draught of water as practicable, consistent with their weight of armour. Meanwhile, availing of the experience thus obtained, and the improvements which we believe are yet to be made by other naval Powers in building iron-clad ships, we would advise the construction in our dockyards of one or more of those vessels upon a large and more perfect scale, when Congress shall see fit to authorize it. The amount now appropriated is not sufficient to build both classes of vessels to any great extent.

The "stone fleet" was off Tybee Island on the 6th. General Stevens, with 1,000 men, occupied Beaufort.

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